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Guelph, Ont. May 12' 1892

Governor Secy
U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir/

If not taking too great a liberty I would feel obliged if you would interpret the whole of the letters which appear on the British Coin. Gumia or Sovereign of the Reign of George III. 1786 Somewhat of a Spade Guinea. The first portion of the inscription I can make out but not the remainder.

Here the Letters in the circle are as below.

Ms Translation M would be Magnæ

B - Britanniæ

F Franciæ.

et Hiberniæ

Rex

Fidei Defensor

B. ? Brunswicke ?

(et L. D.)

? (Lunenburg ?)

D Duke

S (and Stade)

R

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T - Bruno Thesaurus ?

et

E - Elector

A Guinea has a Guinea & the Value of the Crown & Shilling as current Coin of the Realm. Is it a Guinea or some Medal struck to Commemorate the Year 1788 or the Coronation ? I cannot find it in the British Museum but I suppose it is one of the Coins of the Realm. I refer to the Coin of the British Empire. I am not a Collector but I have a Coin with the Letters on one side & the Value on the other. The Letters are B. T. Rex F. D. 1788 I suppose the Letters are Brunswick Thesaurus Rex Fidei Defensor. I am not a Collector. I have a Coin with the Letters on one side & the Value on the other. The Letters are B. T. Rex F. D. 1788 I suppose the Letters are Brunswick Thesaurus Rex Fidei Defensor. So I do not.

Yours obedt Servt
Henry Wm Peterson.

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Asks the meaning on the Guineas of Geoge III. of England.

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The Meaning of the Letters on the Guineas of George III. of England.

M. — Magnæ
B Britanniæ
F. Franciorum.
ET
H — Hiberniæ
REX. or R.
E. D. Fidei Defensor
B Brunsvicensis
ET
L — Luneburgensis
DUX.
S. Sacri.
R Romani
I Imperii
A Archi
TH Thesaurius
ET
E or El. Elector

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Dear Sir

If not taking too great a liberty I would feel obliged if you would interpret the whole of the letter which appears the British Coin, Guinea or Sovereign of the Nation of George III. 1786 smallest a spade guinea. The first portion of the inscription I can make out but no the latter part.

See the letter in the circle basted on as below.

[See original letter for coin rubbing.]
[List in letter one is partially obscured. Content determined partially using the list by M. Cobb enclosed with letter.]

As inscribed M would be Magnus
B – Britannia
F Frances
Et Hibernia
Rey
Fidei Defensor
B.? Brunsvicensis?
(Et. L.D.)
L? (Suneburgensis)
D Duy
S (am sacri)
R
I
T – Buy Thesaurius?
Et
E – Et Rebel Enclosed

A friend has a guinea of the year 1788 and he is anxious to know the meaning of the letters. I could imagine or some pretty close but it was not what he wished.

I referred to an old City of the British Penny Magazine under coins in one val and find T in one coin caught means Thesaurus. The last letter E on and comes has the letter L added so I thought if sought furnished Elector.

Yours respectfully
Henry Wm. Peterson

[Enclosed note:]

The meaning of the letters on the guineas of George III of England.

M. -		Magnus
B		Britannia
F		Francorum
ET		
H -		Hibernia
REX. Or R.		
E.D.		Fedei Defensor
B		Brunsvicensis
ET	}	
L	}	Suneburgensis
DUX	}	
S.		Sacri
R		Romani
I		Pinperi
A		Archi
TH		Thesaurius
ET		
E or EL.		Elestar

MC.